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For: FOAM BUN MOLD SHIM )  
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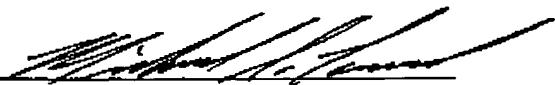
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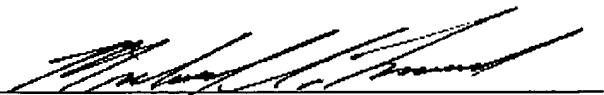
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| Applicant(s): C. Graham et al.   |                                     |                                       |                                |                        |                          |        |
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| Invention: <b>FOAM BUN MOLD SHIM</b>   |                                     |                                       |                                |                        |                          |        |
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Sir:

This Response is submitted with in response to the non-final Office Action mailed June 15, 2006. Applicants request amendment, reconsideration and allowance of the patent application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courteous telephone interview with Applicants' Representative on September 5, 2006.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call Applicants' Representative to discuss any issues with this application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this Response.

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 4 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Response.